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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
AMENDMENT

Applicant(s): Thommes
Docket No: ITW 7188A
Serial No: 08/779,044
Group Art Unit: 2106
Filed: January 6, 1997
Examiner: Shaw, C.

FOR: Method And Apparatus For Receiving A Universal Input Voltage In A Welding

Power Source

Box AF Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Herewith is an amendment for the application identified above, in response to the Office Action of May 26, 1998. The Assistant Commissioner For Patents is hereby petitioned for an extension of 3 months pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). A check in the appropriate amount is attached.

#### FEE CALCULATION, CLAIMS AS AMENDED:

Claims after amendment	Previously paid for		Presen Extra	t		Additional Fee
All claims: 23 minus	23 =	0	X	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
<pre>Ind. claims: 3 minus</pre>	3 =	0	X	\$78.00	=	\$0.00
Fee for 3 month extension	n of time:			•		\$870.00

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE ENCLOSED:

\$870.00

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Respectfully Submitted

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's Action of may 26, 1998, the period for response of which is hereby extended by 3 months. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

# IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 11, line 31, following Unitrode", insert --m--.

#### IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Twice Amended) A welding power source capable of receiving a range of input voltages, comprising:

an input rectifier configured to receive an ac input and providing a first dc signal;

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